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REMARKS

Upon entry of the above preliminary amendment, claims 7-19 will be pending in the instant application. Applicants have canceled claims 1-6. Applicants have amended the specification by inserting subject heading in the proper locations. Claims 7, 10 and 11 have been amended to correct typographical errors and syntax. Original claims 9 and 10 provide support for new claims 12-14. Original claims 1-6 provide support for new claim 15-19. Applicants have not inserted any new matter.

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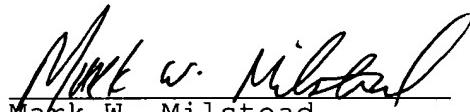
Conclusion

It is believed that claims 7-19 recite a patentable improvement in the art. Favorable action is solicited.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the application by this Preliminary Amendment.

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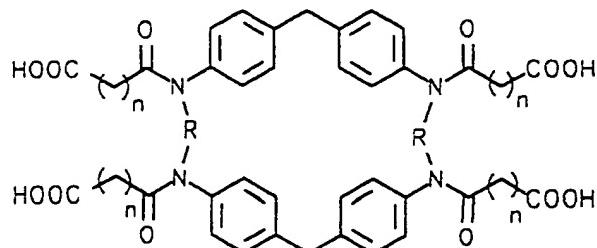
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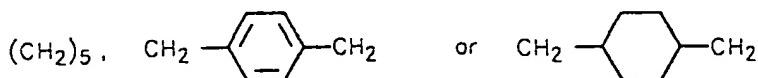
In the Claims

Claims 1-6 have been canceled.

7. (Amended) [The] A cyclophane [derivative] compound having
 [the general] formula A

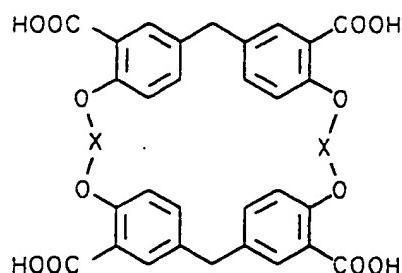


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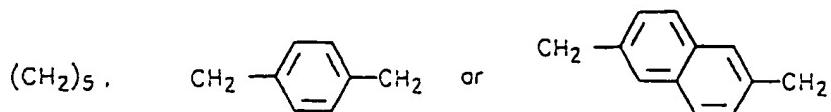
; [or]

[the general] formula B



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wherein X is



[,] ;

or a pharmaceutical acceptable salt thereof.

10. (Amended) The kit according to claim 9, wherein the neuromuscular blocking [agenty] agent is rocuronium and the chemical chelator is γ -cyclodextrin or a derivative thereof.

11. (Amended) A method for reversal of drug-induced neuromuscular block in a patient, [which comprises] comprising: parentally administering to said patient an effective amount of a chemical chelator capable of forming a guest-host complex with [said drug] the drug inducing the neuromuscular block in a patient.

Claims 12-19 have been added.